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The earliest the Supreme Court could grant cert — on the existing petition out of the Sixth Circuit — is the moment after this blogpost goes live.... More realistically, it would be the week before the term opens for argument in October, right after the so-called long conference, when the justices review and rule on all the petitions that have come in over the summer. But they'll likely wait to get the Eleventh Circuit case because they'd probably rather hear from the 26 states (and their counsel, former solicitor general Paul Clement) than any other plaintiffs.

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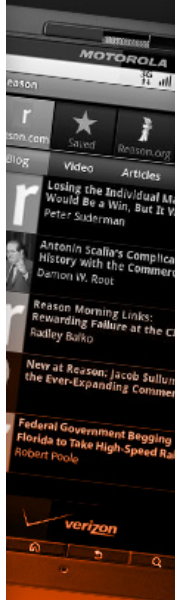
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